



**THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES  
KNOWN OR LIKELY TO OCCUR  
IN  
PHILLIPS COUNTY, KANSAS**

**Bald Eagle** (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as regular winter resident at Kirwin Reservoir. Wintering eagles are dependent upon large water bodies and larger rivers where they feed on waterfowl and fish. *Critical habitat has been designated*. Threatened nationally.

**Eastern Spotted Skunk** (*Spilogale putorius interrupta*) - Threatened: May occur in suitable habitat. Prefers forest edge and rock outcrops in upland prairie grasslands. Also frequents fencerows, outbuildings, brushpiles, and riparian woodlands.

**Eskimo Curlew** (*Numenius borealis*) - Endangered: Formerly a regular spring transient using plowed fields, heavily grazed pastures, burned grasslands, and prairie dog towns. Has not been verified in Kansas since 1902. A few birds may still migrate through Kansas. Endangered nationally.

**Least Tern** (*Sterna antillarum*) - Endangered: May occur occasionally as seasonal transients or summer visitants near water areas where food (small fish and aquatic crustaceans) is available. Endangered nationally.

**Peregrine Falcon** (*Falco peregrinus*) - Endangered: May occur as an uncommon transient and occasional winter visitant. Prefers marshes, lakes, and rivers where concentrations of waterfowl or other birdlife provide ample prey.

**Piping Plover** (*Charadrius melodus*) - Threatened: May occur as an uncommon transient. Prefers sparsely vegetated shorelines of shallow lakes, salt flats and open ground in marshes, and bare river sandbars. Threatened nationally.

**Snowy Plover** (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) - Threatened: May occur occasionally as a summer visitant or seasonal transient on bare flats in wetlands, bare river sandbars, and open beaches at impoundments.

**Topeka Shiner** (*Notropis topeka*) - Threatened: Known to occur historically in the North Fork Solomon River basin. Last confirmed collection pre-1915. Endangered nationally.

**White-faced Ibis** (*Plegadis chihi*) - Threatened: May occasionally occur in summer at wetlands and impoundments, but no nesting records.

**Whooping Crane** (*Grus americana*) - Endangered: May occasionally occur as seasonal transient. Stops to rest and feed at marshes and hay fields. Endangered nationally.

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